Statement

Details of the f.o.b. value of exports as against the export target fixed for years 1990-91, 1991-92, 1992-93 and 1993-94 in the case of SEEPZ and KAFTZ.

(Rs. In Crores)

	1990-91		1991-92		1992-93		1993-94	
	Export target	Total exports	Export target	Total exports	Export target	Total exports	Export target	Total exports
Santacruz Electronics Export Processing Zone (SEEPZ)	335.00	393.65	475.00	513.32	650.00	806.31	1000.00	1107.36
Kandla Free Trade Zone (KAFTZ)	350.00	456.57	413.00	427.18	200.00	167.21	350 00	270.46

Export of Organic Foods

1760. SHRI SANJAY DALMIA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a great demand for organic food in the country as well as abroad;

(b) whether the farmers producing such foods in U.P. and Haryana are unable to market these products due to non-certification, lack of market facilities and fair prices;

(c) if so, whether Government propose to encourage cooperative societies for marketing and exporting their products after obtaining the necessary certificates as required in this regard;

(d) whether Government also propose to ask Cooperative Societies and Public Sector Undertakings such as National Dairy Development Board/Mother Dairy to market these products at a premium initially to satisfy the vast demand and potential and indirectly help export through a labelling and certification process; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) to (e) There is a growing demand for organic foods. As this is an emerging market segment, consumer preferences and marketing procedures are still in the process of being evolved with a view to facilitate the exports of organic products, Government have set up a Standing-cum-Accreditation Committee to evolve policies and procedures for accredition of inspection and certification agencies.

Export of organic foods are generally allowed freely. Cooperative societies and public sector undertakings can also undertake such exports on a commercial basis, besides, availing of various export incentives and schemes operated by the Spices Board, Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) and Tea Board etc.

Export of Electronic Products

1761. SHRI SANJAY DALMIA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) the target fixed for export of electronic products during 1994-95;

(b) the foreign exchange earned through the export of electronic products during the last three years; and

(c) the steps taken to achieve the target?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) Sectorwise targets have not been fixed for 1994-95. However, the Electronics & Computer Software EPC has fixed the target of US $ 435 million for export of electronic products.

(b) The details of the foreign exchage earned through export of electronic products during the last three years is as under:—

(In Ml. US $)

1991-92	336
1992-93	316
1993-94	348

SOURCE: Electronics & Computer Sowfiare EPC.

(c) The various steps being taken by the Government for achieving the target fixed for the export of these products include participation in exclusive Indian electronic shows, participation in international exhibitions, sponsoring of market surveys etc. In addition, the general measures taken to boost exports include introduction of Electronic Hardware Technology Park (EHTP) Scheme, reduction in interest rate on rupee credit, reduction in tariff level on import of machinery and other inputs, etc.

Export of Non-Traditional Items without Disturbing Domestic Market

1762. SHRI SANJAY DALMIA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state: